



West Bountiful City

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Mayor's Message

No Petcoke Plant for West Bountiful

By Mayor James Behunin

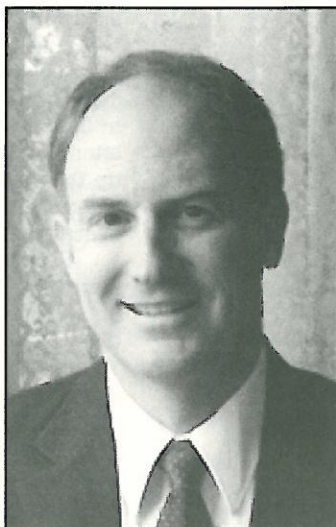
West Bountiful City is making every effort to require the Holly Oil refinery to reduce its impact on the community. Two years ago, the city approved a modernization plan which was expected to make the plant safer, cleaner and more productive. The plant is currently implementing that plan and is making several major upgrades that should eventually reduce the refinery's impact on the surrounding neighborhoods.

Those projects which do not lead to a safer, cleaner plant, are being resisted. For example, last January a group affiliated with Holly Oil proposed the construction of a co-generation plant that would have emitted a significant amount of sulfur and other pollutants to the air. We were quite aggressive in discouraging the proposal and even encouraged legislation that would have prevented its construction.

Only after the group agreed to pursue an environmentally sound process, did we suggest that the legislation be withdrawn. In fact, we determined that passing a law banning the proposed co-gen plant would have actually prevented the refinery from moving forward with the improvements needed to reduce the plants emissions.

In the coming months, the City Council will consider adopting several new ordinances that will enable the city to deal more effectively with the negative health effects caused by local industry. Those ordinances may address the way that industry impacts air quality, ground water, noise and smells.

Furthermore, during the April 21st meeting of the city council, representatives from the Environmental Protection Agency will present information regarding their efforts to address ground water pollution in our industrial zone. During that meeting, residents will be invited to present to the EPA any information they may have regard-



ing the negative impacts that the refinery has on our local environment. Those wishing to present information during that meeting should contact Bev Haslam, the city recorder, at 801-292-4486.

Volunteers Sought for City Parade

Have you ever wanted to do something to serve your city? Well, here is your chance. We need volunteers for our Parade Committee to help on the morning of the parade. If you feel you can help out this year, please contact Terry Olsen at 801-295-8778.

Easter Egg Hunt Postponed This Year

Due to unforeseen expenditures and lower than anticipated sales tax revenue and building permit fees, we will be postponing our Annual Easter Egg Hunt until 2010. We are sorry for this inconvenience and will look forward to seeing all our egg hunters Easter 2010.

Spring Break for Youth

The Bountiful U of U will embark on the best spring break adventure around. Club "U" will be hosting a Spring Break Bash for youth ages 5-12 on April 6 - 10. For more information visit www.youth.utah.edu or register by calling 801-581-6984.

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April 15 Week Set for Weber Irrigation

Just a reminder that secondary irrigation will be turned on throughout the week of April 15th. Please remember to shut your valves off to prevent flooding and water waste!

Weber Water Conservancy District has a conservation garden with plants that require little to no water. It is open to the public and is located at their main office in Layton 2837 East Hwy 193. For additional information you may call 801-771-1677.

Arbor Day in West Bountiful

Mark you calendar for **May 9th at 9:00 a.m.** to join our city officials in planting several new trees in our city parks. A **tree planting demonstration** will be given. You may call the Parks Department for more information at 292-4486.

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